

RETIREMENTS



F. L. "Lee" Brown accepts his Medco Service Award pin from Chan Drew who passed along the best wishes of management to Lee for many years of service.



Ed Montgomery receives his Medco Service Award pin from Russ Hogue as Bill Buckingham smiles his approval and adds his own best wishes to those of management, and fellow workers.

F. L. "Lee" Brown came to the Rogue River Valley from York, Nebraska and started work for Medco in 1948. Lee worked for Kaiser ship-building during World War II.

Lee will continue to make his home in Butte Falls where he has been doing some work on the city park building a bar-b-que for summer picnics. He has two sons living at home, Warren Brown drives a cat for Medco. Lee said he had girls scattered from Astoria to Texas. His four daughters are all married and living away from home.

When asked what he planned to do, his answer was: "Just as little as possible."

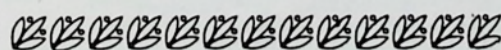
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Thanksgiving Message

As we sit in the safety and comfort of our homes reading our newspapers, listening to the radio or watching T.V. during the news broadcasts and are reminded of the hate, starvation, atrocities of everyday life, disease, religious persecutions and executions, destruction of life and property as a result of undeclared wars and unhappiness, all of which are the rule rather than the exception in many countries of the world, we can lay back in our chairs and think of the many, many reasons why we can and should give thanks to God for our American way of life and the Freedoms we enjoy.

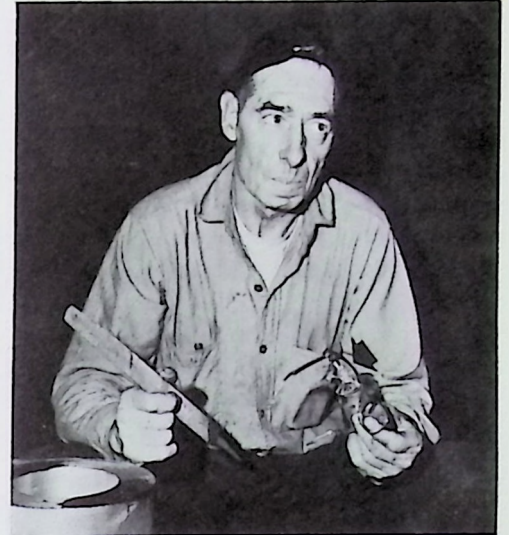
It is admitted we don't (and shouldn't want to) live in a land of Utopia or Eternal Youth and each one of us has our "ups and downs", but we employees of Medco should look around us to see and feel all of the good things we enjoy from day to day—full and steady employment, good schools, religious worship of our choice, availability of food and clothing, many recreational facilities all around us and within driving distance, excellent medical facilities and an exceptional valley in which to live.

So on this Thanksgiving Day as we seat ourselves and prepare to partake of the traditional turkey (or ham), it will be rewarding to pause to give thanks to the Almighty for the Many Blessings that have been provided for our Health and Happiness in 1963.



"Do you have a criminal lawyer in town", the tourist asked the oldtimer. "Well, we think so," the oldtimer replied, "but we can't prove it".

SAFETY PAYS



C. A. Poe, welder in the machine shop had the need for safety equipment impressed upon his mind quite firmly just last month. He still has the sight of both eyes because he was wearing safety glasses.

He had been using a file while working on a job on the welding table. This file had been laid across another piece of material on the table with one end unsupported. During the course of his job, Poe let a heavy piece of metal fall on the free end of the file causing it to "flip" into the air and into his glasses. You can see the result in the picture.

Some of you may be tired of hearing safety hammered at you constantly but few of you are tired of using your eyes, fingers, hands, feet and especially your life.

MARKET NEWS

The current market is holding up fair to good with all the nice open weather in the Eastern and Midwest states keeping the demand for building materials strong. However, there seems to be no inventory buying . . . only their current needs. This is attributed to the rough weather they had last year which left inventory merchandise sitting for some months.

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Edgar L. "Ed" Montgomery was born in the lumber country, near Castle Rock, Washington and had worked in both California and Washington before coming to Medco in 1945.

Ed says he found a home when he came to the Rogue River Valley and when asked if he planned to leave after his retirement, his answer was, "This is much too nice a valley to leave."

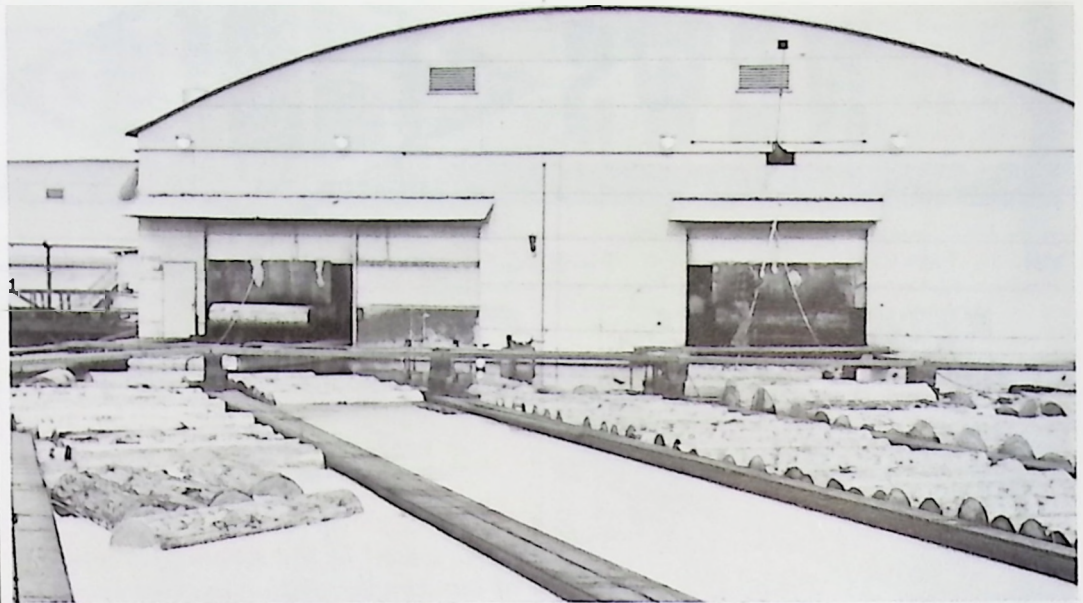
Ed was widowed recently and plans to sell his home at 6422 Ponderosa St. in Central Point and buy a trailer home so he can move to the better fishing spots. Ed's job was offbearing on the headrig in the sawmill.



F. C. "Scotty" Yarnell started his career with Medco in 1936 in the power department fueling on the graveyard shift. He has been in the same department since that time until his retirement recently.

Scotty and his wife lived in Talent most of these years where they raised their own three children and then took in foster children to care for and share their home.

When the editor visited Scotty at his new homesite on Thompson Creek about four and one-half miles above Applegate, he was busy finishing the new house built by his wife and himself. "I would rather wear out than rust out," said Scotty. He also asked that we tell you fellows that he has to stand behind a tree to bait his hook at his favorite fishing spots.

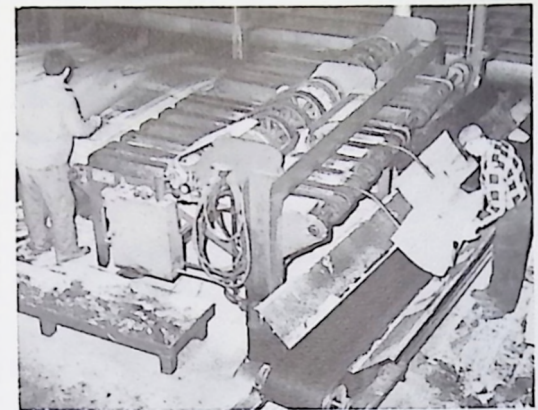


The chutes keep different size blocks separated for easier feeding the 8-foot (left) and the 10-foot (right) lathes. Charles Cavin, slip feeder,

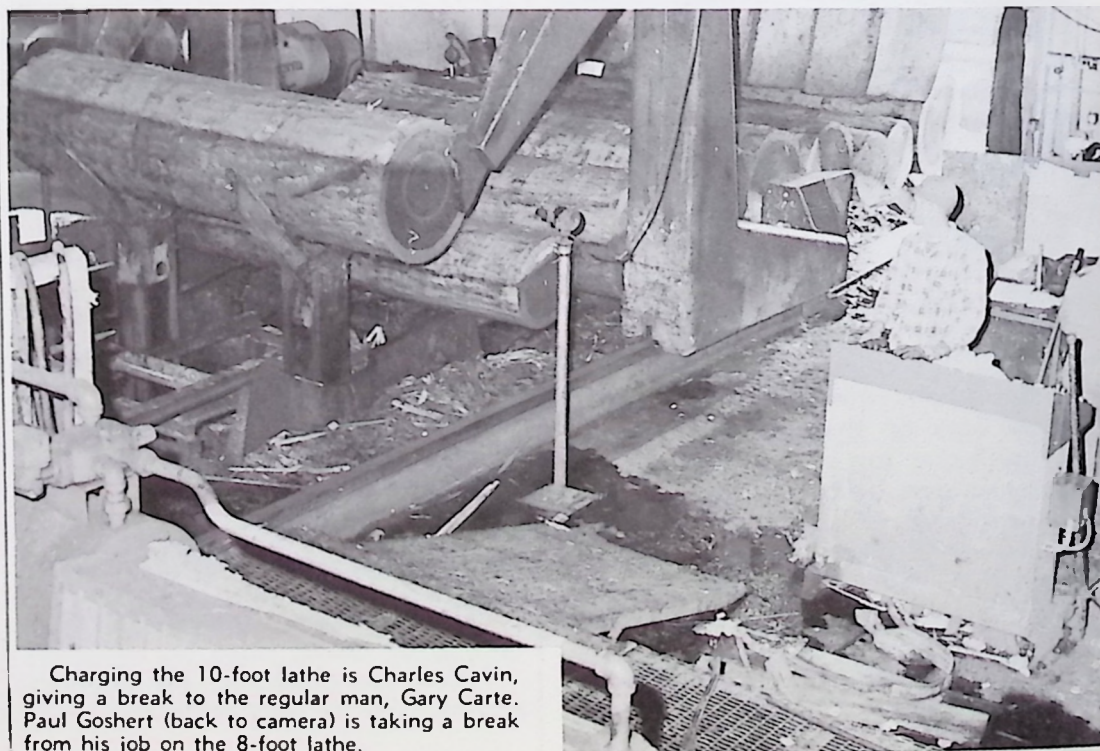
is shown pushing blocks into position for feeding the charger. Robert W. Russell is slip feeder on the swing shift.



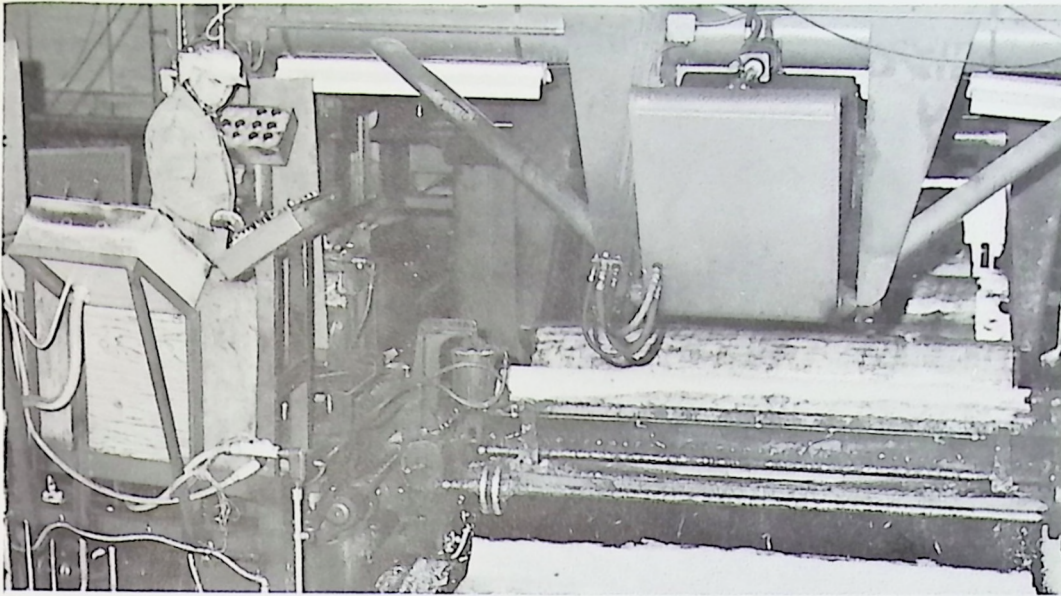
Anthony Pasckvale, pondman sorts and sends the peeler blocks down to the chutes to the slips for charging the lathes. This job is done by David S. McGee on the swing shift.



James Thomas (L) and Clyde Ashcraft (R) operate the fishtail saw on the day shift. John Cornell and Charles Hurd take over the swing shift with William Hayes and Rollin Shatz doing the graveyard duties.

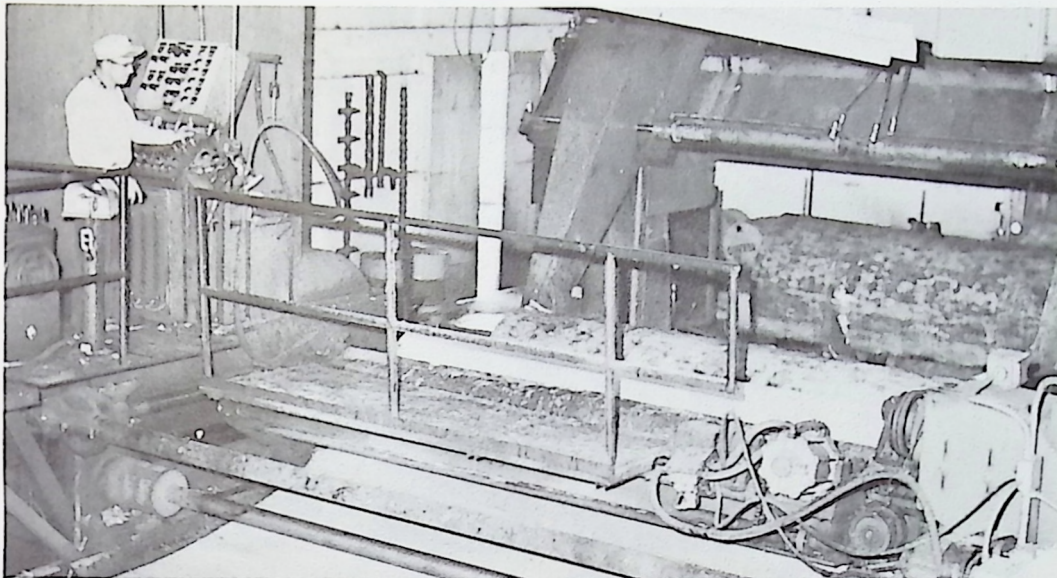


Charging the 10-foot lathe is Charles Cavin, giving a break to the regular man, Gary Carte. Paul Goshert (back to camera) is taking a break from his job on the 8-foot lathe.



Operating the 8-foot lathe on the day shift is Paul Goshert, shown at the controls. Only one of these lathes is operated on the swing

shift and it could be either the 8-foot or the 10-foot machine.

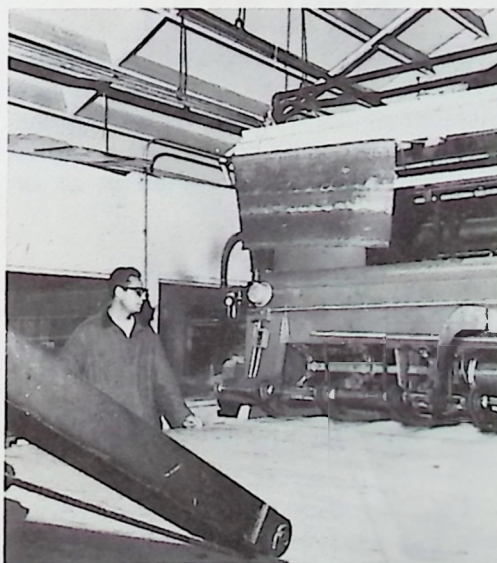


Don Golden watches the long sheet of veneer come rolling from the 10-foot lathe. This

machine is operated by David Perry on the day shift.



Day shift clipperman on the lower 8-foot tippie is James Womack shown in the background with spotter, Henry Lucier nearest camera.



Ben Erskine operates the upper clipper on the 8-foot side during day shift.

PLYWOOD GREEN END

This is the first of a series on the plywood plant and it only makes sense that we start with the peeler blocks as they come to the plant.

The blocks are brought to the plywood plant pond by overhead conveyor and dropped into the pond where pondmen Anthony Pasckvale (day) and David S. McGee (swing) sort them for size and grade and start them down the shutes to their respective lathes, the 8-foot or 10-foot.

Charles E. Cavin (day) and Robert W. Russell (swing) slip feeders, keep the decks filled with peeler blocks for the lathe chargers to feed the lathes. Scaling on the charger deck is Lynn A. Stanger (day) and Patric W. Sollee (swing).

Operating the lathe charger on swing shift is Frank J. Bertak and on the day shift is Gary R. Carte. Day shift lathe operators are David L. Perry and Paul C. Goshert. Only one lathe is operated on the swing shift and this job is handled by Donald E. Golden.

At the other end of the tipples are day shift clipper operators, Ben Erskine, Everett L. Parker, Noah Mintz Jr., and James H. Womack. On the swing shift of the clippers for the one lathe are Herbert D. Bradley and James T. Netzel. Clipper spotter on the swing shift is Owen L. Womack and on the day shift are James A. Johnson and Henry T. Lucier.

The fishtail saw is operated by James Thomas and Clyde Ashcraft on the day shift, John Cornell and Charles Hurd on the swing shift and William Hayes and Rollin Shatz on the graveyard shift.

Anton Bjorne, supervisor on the green end has been in the plywood and lumber business for years and the smooth operation is an indication of these years of experience.

We will continue our features in the plywood plant until all parts of the operation have been covered as have other departments.

JUDGE: "The jury has acquitted you of the charge of bigamy, now you may go home."

DEFENDENT: "With which one Judge?"

CREDIT UNION NEWS

How a Federal Credit Union Operates:

Savings by members are made in the form of share purchases, each share being valued at \$5.00. Savings may be made in amounts as small as 25c per month and may be withdrawn at will, however the Credit Union's Board of Directors may require two months notice for withdrawal of funds as in a savings bank. This provision is very seldom invoked.

The regular savings of small sums is encouraged, the cultivation of the habit of systematic savings is a basic purpose of the Credit Unions.

Out of the funds accumulated from these savings, loans may be made to members of the Credit Union. The law permits unsecured loans up to \$750 and adequately secured loans in larger amounts, depending on the size of the Credit Union.

The Board of Directors of each Credit Union has the authority to fix lower limits for loans and to revise them as the Credit Union grows. Repayments are made weekly, semi-monthly or monthly, or any other agreed upon schedule. They may not exceed five years.

Applications for loans are passed upon by a credit committee elected by the members. Interest on these loans must not exceed one per cent per month on unpaid balances.

Our annual meeting is coming up soon . . . watch for the date and plan to attend.

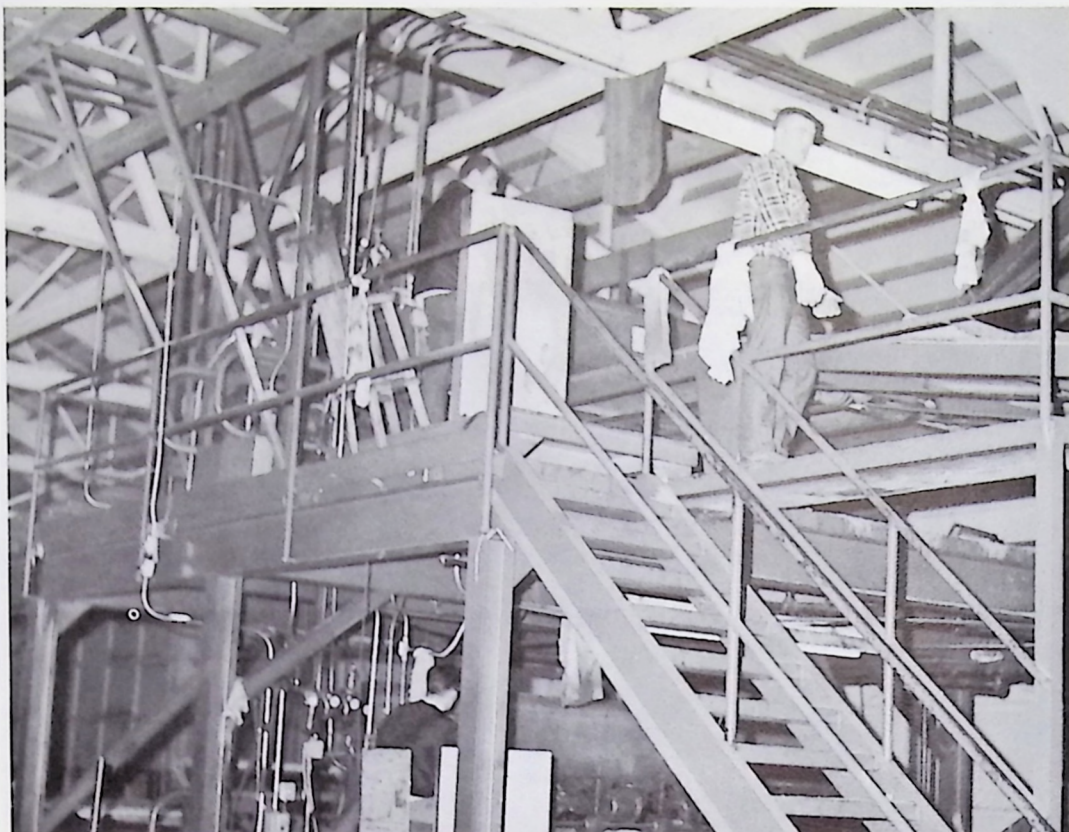
INTERESTING NOTES

There are 190,000,000 Americans. For every 1,000 of us there are: 1.2 doctors—1.1 lawyers and judges—4.0 gas station workers—4.0 telephone workers and for each 1,000 of us there are 13 Federal Civilian Employees!

. . . speaking of the lumber industry, a recent release from figures compiled through the years of 1949 thru 1962 revealed that although the dollar volume of lumber and wood products sales has nearly doubled since 1949, the net profit in 1962 after taxes, was at the same dollar level as it was in 1949 . . . actually less in terms of 1949 dollars.

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Operating the upper clipper is Jerry Malone, Jerry is green chain off-bearer but sometimes fills in on the clipper. Spotting on the upper

is Everett L. Parker. On the lower clipper is Noah Mintz, regular day shift clipperman.

NEW BABY

Ben Erskine, plywood plant clipperman, and his wife Lorna have a new member of their family as of September 11th. The little gal has been named Melissa Marie and weighed in at an even seven pounds.

SICK CALL

Bill Rymes has been hospitalized for some time now but at last report he was home again. We are all wishing you the very best Bill and if we can be of any help, just let us know.

Two Hollywood producers were watching the star of a Las Vegas show and one remarked, "I wonder who made her dress?" "It's hard to say," replied the other, "probably the police".



HOLIDAY NOTICE

All production departments of the Woods and Plant will be down for THANKSGIVING DAY - NOVEMBER 28th.

(Some employees will be required to handle the work that must be performed on a holiday.)

It is our present plan to take the third week of vacation during Christmas Week and to be down on New Year's Day. Definite notice will be posted later on the bulletin boards.

